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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **YAMAMOTO, Shusuke et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3679**

Serial No.: **09/688,837**

Examiner: **FERGUSON, Michael P.**

Filed: **October 17, 2000**

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**FOR: PIN CONNECTION STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF CONNECTING MEMBERS
BY PIN**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -
GROUP ART UNIT 3679

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 11, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **March 15, 2005**, extended to **August 15, 2005** by a **two (2) month** Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.